

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following claim 6.

Claim 1 (Previously amended): An ink jet recording paper which comprises a neutral base paper comprising a wood pulp as a starting material on which is coated a coating solution containing a fluorescent brightening agent, a water-soluble binder and a cationic polymer fixing agent, said coated paper having an ISO brightness of not less than 95% and a fluorescence intensity of 7-15% measured by a method specified in JIS P-8148 using a xenon flash lamp as a light source.

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Claim 2 (Previously amended): An ink jet recording paper according to claim 1, wherein the neutral base paper is made using calcium carbonate as a filler and an ash content of the base paper is 5-20% measured in the same manner as specified in JIS P-8128, except that the incineration treatment is carried out at 500° for 4 hours.

3. (Original): An ink jet recording paper according to claim 1, wherein the fluorescent brightening agent in the coating solution is a diaminostilbene-disulfonic acid derivative (A) and the cationic polymer fixing agent is a polyvinyl alcohol-cation monomer graft polymer (B), and a mixing ratio A:B in solid coating amount is within the range of 1:6-2:3.

4. (Original): An ink jet recording paper according to claim 1, wherein the coating solution is coated using an on-machine size press of a paper machine.

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5. (Original): An ink jet recording paper according to claim 1, wherein the wood pulp contains a waste paper pulp.

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Claim 6 (newly added): An ink jet recording sheet according to claim 1, wherein the coating solution further contains a coloring dye or a coloring pigment.
